

SENATOR WEIHING: ...that it will not be a threat?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right, a serious threat, in the way that cocaine, heroine, hashish, marijuana...are the plants from which these substances are derived harmful in and of themselves?

SENATOR WEIHING: The...are you speaking of the drug within the...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I'm talking about the plants left untinkered with by human beings.

SENATOR WEIHING: Oh, if you take an untinkered plant, those that are growing in nature,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR WEIHING: ...you'll find a tremendous variation as to what some of these products will be. Yes,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. So, in the...

SENATOR WEIHING: ...it will be very broad, very broad range.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...in the case...excuse me, in the case of all of these drugs and chemical substances, have they not, if they're chemical substances, then compounded by human beings for the purpose of producing a narcotic effect, or the plants processed in such a way as to produce a narcotic substance?

SENATOR WEIHING: Yes, they certainly have, they've been brought about to do that for both beneficial and nonbeneficial.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So, what you stated about the poppy can be said about any of these plants that are used to produce narcotics and narcotic substances. If left untampered with by human beings, they would not be harmful. But human beings, who want that narcotic effect, will select those plants through which they can produce it. Isn't that correct?

SENATOR WEIHING: Yes, they do.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you think in the minds of the common people, the ordinary people, those not as versed in horticulture and horticultural subjects as you are, would think that there